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Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, August 2

Time: 6 pm at the flying field, early birds get best parking

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The July Flying Meeting!

Wednesday, July 5, was a warm and sunny evening at the flying field.

At about 4 o'clock, wind conditions were light, but strangely, that actually increased as the evening went on.

There were some training flights before 5:30, but few regular flights after that, as the members mostly enjoyed each others company and exchanged all kinds of 'stories'.

Arthur Deane provided the following information on Bob McDonald's new Apogee VII, control line plane. Bob did make several flights with this beautiful plane, once the control line circle was cut. (Thanks Rich Sievert)

Bob McDonald's Apogee VII

Bob McDonald flew his latest, new latest control line design, the Apogee VII.

This is the latest in a series of models he has designed and built. The plane was



immaculately finished even to the point of simulated aluminum sheeting. Bob also made a custom 3 bladed propeller for the model. The propeller starts as a standard APC propeller, which is modified with carbon composites to a 3-blade configuration. The Model was finished

Helicopter Frequencies

21, 27, 29, 39, 41

Sailplane Frequencies

11, 12

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with clear epoxy to protect the finish.

As usual Bob's flying display with the model was a joy to watch.

**The 33rd Annual Mid-America Electric Flies
July 8 & 9**

At the Midwest RC Society 7 Mile Rd. Field

The weather was almost perfect for the Mid-America Electric Flies held at our flying field on July 8 and 9.

The complete report on this event can be found in the August 2017 *Ampeer*.

<http://theampeer.org/ampeer/ampaug17/ampaug17.htm>

The efforts of three clubs, the Electric Flyers Only, the Ann Arbor Falcons and THE MIDWEST RC SOCIETY are used to present annual event.

Midwest handles the concessions and parking, and this year, the Price-less sale and open air swap shop.

Charlie Dochenetz, Jim Ouillette, Mel Berent, and Greg Eilers handled the chores for the concession area.

Barb and Bob Weak handled the parking on Saturday and **Arthur Deane** on Sunday.

Pete Waters did a fantastic job with the Price-less sale.

Monies from all three activities were added to the MRCS funds.

**A Couple of Special Thank You Notes from the
MRCS President, Arthur Deane, for all the
members who helped out**

Want to thank you all for your help and support this weekend at the Mid-Am Event.

It was a beautiful weekend and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Your help in supporting in the background played a big role in the overall success of the event and the image of the event in the eyes of our visitors.

Thank you once again for your help

Arthur Deane

And to Pete Waters

Want to thank you for all the effort you put into the Swap Shop at the MidAm. The results were pretty amazing. I know you put lot of effort into the project. Setting up and taking down the items and canopies in the Price-less sale area was a major effort in itself

I think the plan to use Joe Hass with his contacts was a great idea to publish the event. I was pleased to see that the publicity attracted a number of additional tailgate sellers. Overall this activity increased the visibility and status of the event. Not having a fixed price was a novel way to attract customers. It is something we should consider for next year.

Once again thank you for all your effort. The additional funds for the club will go a long way to make up for our declining membership.

Arthur

**A Few Photos from the Mid-Am That Are Not
Used in the Ampeer Article on the Event**

A Word About the Photos

There were a lot of great photos taken at the Mid-Am by C.J. Wysocki, Steve Labuta, Rick Sawicki and Hong, of RC Groups.

The RC Groups photos are at
<https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?2873697>

Rick Sawicki photos are found here.
<https://goo.gl/photos/wFpT6eWDDvaBVf7a8>

John Kauk's can be found here.
https://www.dropbox.com/sh/42co816dkyu8fy3/AAAHj5W4mixjZ5B_y3lxy8kMa?dl=0





2017 Mowing Information

Field Mowing Information
From **Bill Brown** and **Jim Cross**

Please Note:

1. The mowing schedule is presented as a general mowing guide to help insure that the field is mowed at least once a week.
2. As shown each of the 4 mowing teams usually have a period of 4 weeks between their respective turns to mow, but this is subject to change (see below).
3. The schedule is NOT intended to be an unbending, all encompassing rule that covers every situation.
4. Each Team Captain is empowered to adjust his team's mowing time and day if required due to weather, special events or another reason; he is responsible for communicating his adjustments to all the members of his team.
5. In case of vacation or a leave of absence, it is the Team Captain's responsibility to swap weeks with another Team Captain.
6. Additional cuttings are at the discretion of the Team Captains.
7. The attached schedule will NOT be modified for any of the changes listed in items 4, 5 or 6.

Wednesday is mowing day (weather permitting) otherwise Thursday before 6 p.m.

Typical Mowing times:

- Team #1:** Roger Wilfong 9:30ish a.m.
- Team #2:** John Gravasso 12:30ish p.m.
- Team #3:** Dave Stacer 4:00ish p.m.
- Team #4:** Rich Sievert 9:30ish a.m.

Flight Instructors, please consult the mowing schedule and mowing team leader prior to scheduling training sessions to avoid conflicts.

Team members, PLEASE call your team leader if you are unable to show up for field work. All team members must check with their Team Leader for the actual mowing time.

Any team member whose personal schedule conflicts with his team's mowing schedule should contact Bill Brown, 248 379-4935, for reassignment to another team.

	2017 MOWING SCHEDULE							Rev. C
	April---	May---	June---	July---	August--	September	October	
No.4 Team Captain Richard Sievert 248-349-8058	-	10	7	5	2,30	27	25	
No.1 Team Captain Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079	-	17	14	12	9	6	4	
No 2 Team Captain John Gavasso 248-553-4783	26	24	21	19	16	13	11	
No.3 Team Captain David Stacer 313-318-3288	-	3,31	28	26	23	20	18	

Midwest R.C. Field 7 Mile Road		Year 2017 Mowing Teams	
No. 1 Team	AM	No. 2 Team	PM
Roger Wilfong	248-349-9079	John Gavasso	248-553-4783
Donald Frandsen	734-674-9478	Dennis Sumner	734-658-7931
Alan Minsterman	734-673-7863	Bill Brown Jr.	313-268-4167
Norm Peters	734-961-7975	Arnold Nielsen	248-305-8264
No. 3 Team	PM	No. 4 Team	AM
David Stacer	313-318-3288	Richard Sievert	248-349-8058
Ken Myers	248-669-8124	Arthur Deane	248-348-2058
Richard Sawicki	248-685-7056	Jim Rucker	248-348-5381

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SAFETY FIRST

NO SMOKING IN OR AROUND THE STORAGE AREAS!

NO REFUELING of EQUIPMENT INSIDE THE STORAGE CONTAINERS!

All Hand and Riding mowers: ***Check oil before mowing!***

Ford Tractor Rules:

- Check oil and water before mowing!
- Do not exceed 1850 RPM!

To change your email address contact Ken Myers at kmyersefo@mac.com

The 2017 membership application is available at the club Web site,
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,
for downloading with the link on the homepage.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m., Glider League flying, Midwest 7 Mile Rd. flying field

August 2, Wednesday, MRCS flying meeting, 6 p.m. or earlier for best parking. See ya there! Everyone with an interest is welcome. Proof of AMA membership is required to fly.

Mowing Continued

Always mow in 2nd Gear- never in 3rd Gear!
No high speed turns!
Keep cut grass away from the grill and the radiator!

Report any equipment problems to Arthur Deane
248-348-2058.

Mark Rittinger launches his P-51B at the Mid-Am.
More Info about the Mid-Am in this issue.



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